

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT
U.S. Appln. No. 09/857,845

REMARKS

This is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121). In response thereto, Applicants have re-submitted a complete listing of all claims. The Amendment filed December 8, 2003, failed to mention the status of Claims 1-31. Accordingly, this response shows the status of all claims from Claim 1 through Claim 72.

The Remarks to the Office Action dated October 7, 2003, as set out in the Amendment filed December 8, 2003, are again set out herein, as follows.

Claims 32-72 are pending in the present Application. As will be discussed below, Claim 50 has been amended in a manner similar to the previous amendment to Claim 32, and also to correct a typographical error in the definition of R¹². Claim 72 has been amended to correct a typographical error. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, entry of the present Amendment is requested.

In the Office Action, it is indicated that the Application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of non-elected Claims 50-61 and 68-72 directed to the process of the present invention. (Claims 32-49 and 62-67 have been indicated as being allowed.)

As suggested in the Office Action, Claim 50 has been amended in a manner similar to the previous amendment to Claim 32. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the present Application is now in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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